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Official paper of Clatsop county and the City of Astoria.

WEATHER.

Western Oregon, Washington and Idaho—Rain.
Eastern Oregon—Fair.

EDITORIAL BALAD.

PHOTOGRAPHY BY WIRE.

Professor Korn of Munich, who has been working on telegraphic photography for several years, has at last succeeded in sending a series of pictures, including one of the German crown prince, over a photo-telegraphic instrument, a distance of 1,125 miles. The time required was twelve minutes, but this, it is believed, can be cut to two minutes. The most wonderful thing about the achievement is that the reproduced photograph is not the blurred and smudgy thing which Korn secured three or four years ago when he began his experiments, but it is a perfect picture, as readily recognizable as the original photograph from which the operator worked. One or two mechanical difficulties are to be conquered and the world may then see the transmission of a photograph from Paris or Berlin or London to New York or Tacoma with the same speed as a newspaper "story" is telegraphed.

The sending of an image over the electric wire has, of course, been one of the long dreams of science. Many experimenters have been working on the problem, but the Munich scientist is the first to prove commercially successful. Professor Korn's startling triumph is due to the extraordinary qualities of the metal selenium, which is able to transmit light waves into variations of an electric current. Just as the diaphragm of a telephone causes the mechanical vibrations of sound to be reproduced in corresponding electric vibrations, so the action of a varying light upon a plate of selenium, through which an electric current is passing, causes that current to vary in exact accordance with the gradations of light on the photographic film.

DIFFERENT MANAGEMENT.

Advocates of the parcels post are publishing some interesting figures, showing that the British postoffice during 1905 carried 97,000,000 parcels at about one-sixth the charge paid for a like service in this country. At the same time the British postal surplus was \$24,000,000, while the United States postal deficit was \$14,000,000. On the face of it this might seem to show better management in England; but such a conclusion would ignore the more difficult problems of the American postal service, including our vast distances through thinly settled country, as compared with the short mail routes in populous Britain. The burden is on the advocates of an American parcels post to show that it would not bankrupt our government.

CHICAGO'S TRANSIT SYSTEM.

Nothing so impresses a realization of the rapidity with which cities grow as the study of the street car problem. Chicago is a case in point. Twenty years ago there was only one cable car line in that city. All the rest were horse cars. Electric cars, of course, were unknown.

In twenty years twenty miles of cable have been installed, more than two hundred miles of electric lines are in use, sixty miles of elevated road

are in operation. The horse cars have vanished, and the increased equipment is handled with a vastly increased speed. Every car is crowded, even with the one-minute service at the down-town stations. And yet the transportation problem is unsolved. The city has not been able to keep up with the increasing volume of traffic.

The cable lines of that city serve the three great divisions of the city—north, south and west, with deflecting lines to the northwest and to the southwest. These cars provide the very worst street car service known to any city in the nation. They are slow, the cars are shattered by age and the rails are uneven and rough. Broken cars are common and a cessation of traffic at the rush hours is the expected incident of every day.

DECISION ON ALIEN LABOR.

The first important ruling from Secretary Straus of the Department of Commerce and Labor, is in regard to alien labor importations. The State of North Carolina in order to induce immigration pays the expenses of certain classes of aliens and procures them work upon arrival. Southern labor unions protested and cited the contract alien labor statutes. Mr. Straus has ruled that the latter have not been violated and that to induce legitimate immigration is not to import alien labor. The distinction seems fine and the courts must decide the delicate question. Adverse decisions would greatly retard the movement to turn immigration into the southern states.

VALE, CASTELANE.

Paris has decreed social ostracism against Count Boni de Castellane, but it is not explained whether this is due to his being bad or being "broke." One theory has it that he was cut in the French chamber of deputies when he

tried to speak for the reason that he had struck his wife. If this is true, it shows how nicely discriminating Paris is in its virtue. It could stand for most offenses against a wife, but the line had to be drawn somewhere. Still, one must suspect that Boni's real crime was his falling out with the Gould millions.

DOWEISM.

It seems to have taken a great deal to convince the disciples of Dr. Dowle that he was crazy. Nearly everybody in this community came to that conclusion years ago, when he first announced that he was the reincarnation of the Prophet Elijah and when he was subject to paroxysms of groundless rage and uncontrollable vituperation. In spite of all this his admirers still clung to his infallibility until last Sunday, when he imagined himself delivering a funeral address over a deceased military hero. Perhaps his disciples also are "a little queer."—Chicago Chronicle.

CHILDREN AND DOGS.

The child who is taught to love animals and to have a dog as a companion is introduced to a friend of the truest and best kind—the kind of friendship that lasts. Have you never had a dog? Then you don't know what pleasure can be had in his companionship in rambles, in his quiet presence in your room, his unobtrusiveness when human company would bore you: a "chum" who always adapts himself to your mood when man or woman would jar upon you. By all means cultivate in children a love of animals, especially of "man's best friend," the dog.—New York Herald.

Morning Astorian, 60 cents per month, delivered by carrier.

THE CORRECT CLOTHES SHOP.

A Bit of a Chat on Correct Clothesology for Christmas.

The many useful things of beauty, style and exclusive design in men's attire shown by "this"—"The Foremost Man's Shop in Astoria"—is a source of pleasant surprise and a revelation to thousands who come in to choose a present for "Him" of something useful, something to wear, and something "He" may have the satisfaction of being positive as to its being absolutely correct in every detail and of very best quality. A



"THE PROMPTER"

Suggests any of the following as suitable for giving "Him". Leave-things-till-the-last-minute folks will be aided by this list.

- House Coats as low as \$4.50; as elegant at.....\$12.50
- Lounging and Bath Robes, too—the same price range.
- Wool Vests, wash fabrics, and silk worsteds..... \$1.25 to \$5.00
- Suit cases.....\$4.00 to \$20.00
- Claret Shirts.....\$1.50 and \$2
- Monarch Shirts.....\$1.00
- Underwear, in silk, wool, lisle or Balbriggan, the garment.....\$1.00 to \$3.00
- Dent's Famous English Gloves..... \$2.00
- Fancy half-hose.....25c to 50c
- Hankkerchiefs—Silk, 25c to \$1; Hemstitched linen, plain or with initial.....25c to 50c
- Fancy Xmas Suspenders, 50c to.....\$3.50

- Neckdressings, 25c to \$1.50;
- Full Dress Mufflers and Reefers.....\$1.00 to \$4.00
- Box Suspenders and Combination Sets, including Suspenders, Armlets and Hose Supporters,50c to \$1.50
- Umbrellas for Christmas giving, in natural sticks or richly trimmed in gold or silver effects.....\$1 to \$7

S. DANZIGER & CO.,

"The Store That Never Disappoints," Astoria's Foremost Clothiers.

man just entering the battle of life is badly handicapped if he dresses slouchily. Clothes have more to do with the making of a man than they are given credit for. After a man is "made", he can dress as he pleases. In the preliminary skirmish he should be as careful of his dress as of his fingernails.

A young fellow in one of the special suits illustrated to-day, is bound to make a favorable impression on the persons he meets in daily business life. It is entirely out of the ordinary, yet not foppish. It suggests that the wearer is full of push and virility and has good taste.

GOOD MORNING

Tomorrow Is Your Last Day For

CHRISTMAS -- SHOPPING

While at your breakfast table think it all over—Glance at your list of friends and see if you have provided for them all. If not, then come Bright and Early to our Store and complete your wants. We can assist you greatly from our immense Stock of

SPECIAL HOLIDAY GOODS

NOTHING BETTER
NOTHING CHEAPER
NOTHING JUST AS GOOD

Those who buy today are always happy tomorrow

THE A. DUNBAR CO.

Astoria's Foremost Holiday Store.

STREET ASSESSMENT NOTICE.

Bond Street, from a point 15 feet west of the East line of 42nd street, to the west line of 44th Street.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the assessment made for improving Bond street from a point 15 feet west of the East line of 42nd street to the West line of 44th street, was made by an order of the common council due and payable on the 28th day of December, A. D. 1906, by ordinance number 3337, confirming said assessment roll, and that the following are the names of the persons against whom the assessment is made and the amount owing by each, to-wit:

Foard, Martin	.....\$247.50
Flavel Nellie	..... 135.00
Fisher Land Co.	..... 270.00
Fredrickson, Theresa	..... 22.50
Larson, Hans	..... 33.75
McGowan, J. P.	..... 202.50
Patton, Frank, Trustee	..... 90.00
Silversen, Adolph	..... 33.75
Tongue Point Lumber Co.	..... 67.50
City of Astoria (Excess)	..... 544.20

By order of the common council.
OLOF ANDERSON,
Auditor and Police Judge of the City of Astoria, Oregon.
Dated December 11, 1906. 10t

NOTICE.

There is money in the general fund to pay warrants indorsed prior to December 1, 1906. Interest will cease after this date. THOMAS DEALEY,
City Treasurer.
Astoria, Ore., Dec. 20, 1906. 12-20-10t

As soon as the child is done nursing apply Chamberlain's Salve. Wipe it off with a soft cloth before allowing the child to nurse. Many trained nurses use this with the best results. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Frank Hart, and Leading Druggists.

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The Largest and Finest Stock Ever exhibited in Astoria.

Diamonds and other Precious Stones.

Rich Jewelry, Watches, Sterling Silver, Cut Glass, Fine Umbrellas,

J. H. SEYMOUR

The Jeweller 466 Commercial St.

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Important to you because it enables you to save money. Lowney's Chocolate Creams put in Special Christmas Boxes.

1/2-pound Boxes, 30 cents.

1-pound Boxes, 60 cents.

For the Little Ones:

Telephone Candy Boxes, 10 cents and up.

Special line of Christmas tree ornaments, 1 cent and up.

Tagg's Confectionery,

488 Commercial St.